1. Helping Disabled People Get Jobs
Scottish Labour will help those who find it hardest to get jobs. They will have special support programmes to help young, disadvantaged and disabled people who want to work get the right help in choosing careers, going on to college and getting apprenticeships.

2. Helping Social Care Staff
Scottish Labour will lead employers, government, trade unions and other stakeholders in the social care sector in working together to find ways of improving work, investment and skills.

3. Helping Social Care Staff
Scottish Labour will make sure that all social care staff are
- paid a living wage;
- paid for travel costs and travel time;
- not on zero-hours contracts;
- given proper training they enter the workplace
- And have time to care.

4. Getting Social Care Right.
Scottish Labour will use the powers of the Scottish Parliament to stop cuts to local services. They want to spend more on social care to support the NHS in years to come and to deliver the care people need. Labour will make sure everyone gets a social care package in place within a week.

5. Better Rights For Carers.
Scottish Labour will create a new Carers’ Commissioner to stand up for them and their rights. They will be able to intervene in local and central government. Scottish Labour will ensure that every carer can get the respite care and other things they should be getting.

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5. **Increasing Carer’s Allowance**
Scottish Labour will increase Carer’s Allowance to £73.10 per week. Carers Allowance is the money you get if you cannot work because you are caring for someone. They will also find a way to support carers who also work.

6. **New Social Care and Health Complaint system**
Health and social care now work closely together so Scottish Labour will set up a single system for complaints, whether it is about hospital treatment, primary or social care.

7. **A Scottish Welfare Benefits System.**
Scottish Labour will set up a Scottish Social Security Agency to get a new system that treats people with respect. This will include:
- An end to the Bedroom Tax
- Paying Housing Benefit direct to landlords again
- Paying benefits fortnightly and not monthly
- Making the Scottish Welfare Fund help in cash
- Protecting Housing Benefit for 18 – 21 year olds.

8. **New rules For Personal Independence Payment**
   a) Assessments will be made much easier and might be taken away from private companies.
   b) Repeat assessments for people with long term conditions to be ended.
   c) Scottish Labour will end current stoppage of DLA/PIP support during hospital stays.

9. **Help for Children with Disabilities.**
Scottish Labour will help those families with children who receive the highest care component of Disability Living Allowance to meet their energy costs by giving them the Winter Fuel Payment.

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10. **Stopping Social Care Charges**
Scottish Labour think that social care charges are a barrier to getting support. They will work to end care charges, so that all aspects of social care are free at the point of delivery. This will not be easy so they will set up a special group to work on this which will include the Scottish Government, local authorities and charities representing older people and disabled people.

11. **More Disabled People in Politics.**
Scottish Labour want more disabled people to be involved in politics. They will set up a fund to help them. They also want disabled people to be able to spend more during elections. Scottish Labour will also help more disabled people get experience through internships.

12. **Tackling Hate Crime.**
Scottish Labour believe that hate crime should be dealt with properly. They will have a zero tolerance approach to hate crime. They want victims to feel confident in coming forward and reporting incidents of hate crime.

The Scottish Parliament elections are on the 5th May 2016. Labour will use the powers of the Scottish Parliament to stop the cuts, invest in Scotland’s future and grow the economy. So we make this simple anti-austerity pledge to the people of Scotland – a Labour Government will increase spending on our public services in real terms and stop the cuts to schools and other vital public services.